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Here is further proof that Circulation is what brings the business. Read this quotation from a letter from Morris Jacobowitz of New York who uses regular space in Linn's Weekly.

#### P. O. HAS BIG AIR MAIL WEEK

We have had evidence in many forms that the promotion of National Air Mail Week by the Postoffice Department has certainly created a lot of ac-tivity and interest in every part

of the country.

Reports direct from postmasters and Chambers of Commerce or other civic bodies in all parts

## The Stamp Trade

A discussion of Stamp Collecting and Stamp Dealing from the Business angle by the Managing Editor. GEORGE W. LINN

of the country that their town of the country that their town would have a special cachet for the week have been pouring in for the past month. Many of these come too late for publication in our issue of last week and it's too late to list them now, proving that procrastination besides being the thief of time is also the sure way to miss the arm and had to find some at wholesale merchandise houses to fill the final orders. air mail.

The rubber stamp industry must have had a big month's business making cachets, but we wonder how many collectors are going to try to cover all of these events of which they hear.

For our own part in the af-fair we have sold thousands of air mail envelopes, both of the standard design and of our own

special printings as well as cacheted ones for the new stamp. In fact we had difficulty at the last minute in finding the standas well as

It has been a fine gesture on the part of the Postoffice Department to sponsor this week. We somehow feel that if the Department would make just as much effort in delivering and handling their parcel mail that we could live happily. We are besieged from time to time with complaints of slowness in delivery complaints of slowness in delivery of the small parcels of envelopes

that we send collectors for first day covers. Very often we have statements that small parcels take from five to eight days to make trips of as little as four or five hundred miles.

We make this statement here in the hope that collectors who in the hope that collectors who have occasion to make such com-plaints will in the future, make a similar complaint to the Post-office Department. Address the office Department. Address the Third Assistant Postmaster Gen-eral at Washington.

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## Linn's Weekly Stamp News

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#### The New 2c Adams

Illustrated is the design of the new 2c John Adams stamp to be issued on June 3rd at Washington, D. C. It will be noted the design tallies exactly with that of the 1c except of course for necessary change in head and figures. Color was not announced but undoubtedly will be some shade of red as Postal Union rules require this color for this



stamp. Covers may be obtained as usual by sending not exceeding ten under cover to the postmaster at Washington, accompanying them with remittance in cash or by money order for the stamps required to be placed on the covers. Each cover should be lightly marked in pencil in the upper right corner with the number of stamps you wish affixed. The post office will not comply with special requests for odd combinations, plate numbers, etc. If you want mint stamps do not send an order for them with your covers. The new 2c will be issued at other post offices as the stock of the current 2c is used up.

#### New Booklets and Coils

Collectors should be prepared to send on short notice for first day covers of the coil and booklet varieties of the new regular (Presidential) issue. To refresh your memory we might mention that these varieties are now produced of stamps of the 1922-31 type and similar varieties of the corresponding values of the new series can be expected:-Coil stamps, perforated vertically: 1c, 11/2, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c, and 10c; perforated horizontally: 1c, 1½c, 2c, and 3c. The 1c, 2c, and 3c are issued in various size booklets, though the panes are all the same size, (6). Since the new series includes the 4½c stamp as a new denomination, this stamp very likely will be issued in sidewise coils, perforated vertically. Linn's will as usual print news of these as soon as definite information is at hand.

## Jefferson, Delaware, and Constitution Stamps Are Announced

Office Department announced the new 3c Thomas Jefferson stamp of the new regular series would be issued for the first time on June 16 at the Washington, D. C., post office. The color will be purple and design will be identical with the others of the Presidentials already announced except for change of portrait and numerals.

The Delaware stamp described as ". . in commemoration of the 300th anniversary of the landing of the first Swedish and Finnish colonists in this country" will be issued on June 27th at Wilmington, Del. Wilmington was chosen as first day city as it was the scene of the landing of the first Swedish and Finnish immigrants, although as the P. O. Dept. points out, New Sweden actually comprised portions of what is now Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The flag shown in the illustration is that flown over New Sweden and remains today without change the flag of Sweden. The colors are yellow for the cross (white in the illustration) and light blue for the field (black in the illustration). This is the only flag flown over colonial America which has not since been changed or replaced by the parent country. Finland at the time of the founding of the colony of New Sweden was a part of the Swedish Kingdom.

The new Swedish-Finnish commemorative stamp will have as its central design a reproduction of a painting by Stanley Arthurs depicting the arrival of the first Swedish and Finnish settlers. Across the bottom of the stamp will be the inscription "Landing of the Swedes and Finns." At the upper left of the stamp will appear the year "1638" while in the upper right will be the year "1938," between which will be the wording "U. S. Postage." The denomination designation "3" will appear in each of the lower corners and the stamp will be enclosed by ornamental side borders. This stamp will be square, its dimensions being 0.92 inches on each border, and will be one of the few square commemorative stamps ever issued. The last such stamp was the Virginia Dare issue, which was one inch

On May 13th the design of the new 3c commemorative of the 150th Anniversary

Under date of May 11th the Post of the ratification of the Constitution was announced. The stamp will be a horizontal rectangle, purple in color, same size as the other Constitution stamp issued last September. The stamp will be issued June 21st at Philadelphia, Pa.

The central design will be a reproduction of a colonial-type Court House, with two horsemen in the foreground, one in the act of mounting and the other galloping away carrying news of the ratification. In the upper left half of the stamp will be the wording "The States Ratify The Constitution 1788," arranged in three lines in dark Roman. In a similar position at the right will be the wording "United States Postage 1938" in like lettering also arranged in three lines. In rectangular shaped panels with



dark ground, arranged vertically, in each lower corner will be the large numeral "3" in white Gothic. In a narrow pane! with dark ground at the center of the lower edge of the stamp will be the wording "Three Cents" in white Gothic. Stamp collectors desiring first-day can-

celations of the new stamps on June 16 and June 27 may send a limited number of addressed covers, not in excess of 10, to the respective Postmasters. Postage stamps will positively not be accepted in payment. Each cover should bear a pencil endorsement in the upper right corner to show the number of stamps to be attached thereto. Envelopes for covers should not be smaller than 3 by 6 inches. Compliance can not be made with unusual requests, such as for the affixing of plate number blocks, etc., and all covers must be fully addressed.

Requests for uncanceled stamps must not be included with orders for first-day covers to the postmasters at the above

#### 10.000,000 6c Ordered

Under date of May 9th, the Post Office Department reported that postmasters throughout the country had already requisitioned ten million of the new 6c air mail stamp. Reports from other

sources indicate the Bureau is working with all its speed to get this huge quantity of bicolors out in time, in addition to the numerous other stamps in preparation. Who's going to find the first inverted center? Or will anyone?

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#### Sweden Honors Delaware

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ore blue shows the Old Swedes Church, still standing; and the 60 ore claret portrays Queen Christina the ruler of Swe-They appeared as coil stamps, perforated vertically, with the 5 ore and 15 ore also being issued in sheet form. The two ships whose odd names translated means "Key of Kalmar" and "Bird Griffin" landed the first settlers in 1638 at the site of the present city of Wilmington, Del. The Swedes got along very well with the Indians and the 5 and 20 ore values symbolize this. The church shown on the 30 ore was built



in 1699 and is the first religious edifice in America to be shown on a stamp. Queen Christina is better known to Americans for the motion picture of that name in which Greta Garbo played the Queen. History records that the Queen was quite the opposite of beautiful and the stamp portrait is historically correct. The inscription on each stamp it might be mentioned, "Nya Sverige Minnet" means "Memory of New Sweden."

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As was announced by the Post Office Dept. the new 6c air mail stamp was placed on sale at St. Petersburg, Fla., where the first regular passenger carrying flight was made. This took place on January 1, 1914, and was inaugurated with a Benoist hydroplane, Tony Jannus pilot and Mayor Pheil of St. Petersburg as first passenger. The new service was termed the "St. Petersburg-Tampa Airboat Line" and operated for several months carrying passengers between the two cities which had at the time no other direct and continuous means of transportation. Tony Jannus the pilot was killed in Russia during the war; Tom Benoist, St. Louis builder of the flying boat was killed in an accident on a street car in Sandusky, O.; and the first passenger, Mayor A. C. Pheil is also dead. The second passenger, another former Mayor of the city, Noel Mitchell, is still living. As part of the celebration of the week, Mr. Mitchell as guest of Pennsylvania Airlines will tour the present day passenger air routes of the U. S. This information is presented in complete detail with photographs in the May Airpost Journal.

#### S. African Change Asked

A committee of two philatelic societies in the Union of South Africa has suggested to the authorities that for future issues, the proposed "Voortrekkers" in particular, that each stamp be bilingual instead of each design being printed separately in the two languages. As examples of how well this works out, the committee forwarded specimens of the bi-lingual Canadian stamps now current.

Chicago celebrated Air Mail week by flying the mail from air port to post office roof in an autogiro, the round trip taking ten minutes as compared with the 80 minutes required for mail trucks.

Contracts have just been let for the Seattle & Skagway R. P. O. which operates in passenger steamers of the Alaska Steamship Co. The contractor for his pay of \$4,000 a round trip must provide board and lodging for the postal clerks in addition to carrying the mails between the two terminals and way post offices.

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The Spanish Civil War issues include some rarities as will be seen by reports that quantities of the "Liberation of Malaga" overprints by the rebels ranged from 150 of the 10c portrait of Costa to 460,000 of the 2c.

The map on the new 4c British Guiana stamp is a diplomatic one. The Falkland Islands are not included though there was space. Possibly Argentina's claim to these foggy spots in the South Atlantic had something to do with the design.

A Brooklyn group of war veterans is asking for a stamp to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the Armistice and end of the World War. Design requested is to symbolize peace.

The approach of summer seems to have spurred the Twentieth Century Club of Amsterdam, N. Y., to greater efforts in putting stamp collecting in the fore. They plan a 15 frame exhibit in a local store window the first week of June.

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Effective Feb. 8th, 1938, the overprinted stamps of Bechuanaland Protect orate were demonitised and the public was advised that for three months they would be accepted for postage, after that period mail bearing them to be subject to further charge.

Postal Markings recently illustrated a cancellation used at General Franco's headquarters. Almost square, the marking is inscribed "Servicios Postales" at top, date in center, with "Cuartel General del Generalisimo." Half again as large as a current Spanish stamp.

What's in a name? One reporter dashed into print announcing a new 400 reis Brazilian stamp with portrait of the Magellan (Magalhaes) who discovered the famous Straits, etc. The stamp is actually dated 1837-1937 and comemorates the birth of another Magalhaes whose activities covered a period some three centuries after the famous discoverer's death.

Hungary's coming philatelic exhibition sheet is to be given only to holders of coupons attached to admission tickets.

The Tacoma Stamp Club will meet in the future on the second and fourth Thursdays at the Hotel Winthrop, 767 Broadway, Tacoma, Washington, at 8 P. M. Every third Thursday a bourse will be held at Hoyt's, Sixth and Prospect streets.

Things that bloom eventually wither away and post offices are no exceptions for BLOOM, Pa., fades from the list post offices as of May 31st.



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#### New Slogan Postmark Catalog

A copy of the second edition of the United States Slogan Postmark Catalog by Donald W. Tucker has been received for review from the publisher, Stephen G. Rich, P. O. Box B, Verona, N. J. The catalog pages are slightly larger and because of new illustrations and many additional listings the pages have nearly doubled in number. In addition to the listings of the first edition of 1936 of all known slogan postmarks of U.S. and insular possessions, the catalog now lists postmarks of all exhibitions, expositions, etc., not necessarily of a slog ... character and postmarks of all philatelic stations. The book is thoroughly illustrated and priced, these being considerably revised. The average slogans are quoted at prices ranging from 5c to 25c for specimens cut 2x4 inches with a premium for covers. The exhibition and philatelic cancellations are priced as high as \$5.00 for specimens on cover, with some so scarce that for lack of information they are unpriced. The most expensive group seems to be the Exhibition R. P. O.'s which were used in postal car exhibits at various fairs but of which few specimens have turned up. The prices in general seem very reasonable considering that they are for fine, clear specimens on neat covers. The book is well worth the 50c price, the style chart of the various different machines being alone worth that to any serious cancellation collector.

#### Australian Design Error

Mention has been made before of the alleged error on the Australian Sesqui-Centennaries of having Capt. Phillip depicted as wearing epaulettes, when such were not a part of British naval uniforms until years after the event portrayed. The error occurs in the original painting by John Allcot. The Australian Stamp Monthly reports that in the re-enactment of the landing, etc., Capt. Phillip and party "were distinctly enauletteless.

The number of post offices with Biblical names is reduced slightly as of May 31st, when BOAZ, W. Va. closes its doors.

The new 1/2d Malta shows H. M. S. St. Angelo, which is not a ship at all but the fortress in the harbor of Valetta, though carried on the records of the British Navy as a man-of-war.

Australian collectors celebrated their Country's 150th anniversary with a mammoth stamp show at Sydney. Most unusual feature was that a miniature sheet was not issued, a fact for which we should all render thanks to the folks "down-under" for being so unique in this respect.

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Commemorative. Battle of Bachmac, Russia. Engraved, sheets of 100, unwmkd., perf. 12½. Sheet consists of 7 rows of stamps, top row 16 stamps and other 6 rows of 14 stamps. The six blank spaces on each side of the sheet are filled up by a design of a tripos of rifles and inscribed "BACHMAC" at top and dated "1918" at left, and "1938" at right:

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(R. Roberts)

Semi-Postals. Child Welfare. Sheets of 100. Construction of sheet same as above, with blank spaces at each side filled with a laure wreath on tablet with initials T. G. M. in wreath on tablet with initials T. G. M. in center and date 7.111.1938 beneath; unwmkd., perf. 12½:



50h. plus 50h. green (Pres. Masaryk and Slovak girl)

1kr. plus 50h. claret (same) (R. Roberts and Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

Whitfield, King & Co. report a third value in the set just above, a 2kr. plus 3kr. black, being printed in a miniature sheet.

MONACO—Scott's also tentatively list the miniature sheet noted by us March 26th.

NICARAGUA—Scott's tentatively list the 75th Anniversary set noted by us Feb. 26th., and April 2nd. Also the undernoted four stamps printed in a miniature sheet, unwmkd., perf. 11½, showing a portrait of General Tomas Martinez, inscribed "1862-1937":

1c. orange & black
5c. red-violet & black
8c. dark blue & black
16c. brown & black

Also the following four stamps in a minia-ture sheet of four, showing a portrait of General Divisionario A. Somoza: 10c. green & black 15c. dark blue & black 25c. violet & black 50c. carmine & black

NORWAY—New Pictorial Issue. Photogravure, perf. 13, wmkd. posthorn. 15 and 30 ore are horizontal, the other value upright format. The two lower values are sheets of 100 (10x10) and the 30 ore is in sheets of 50 (5x10):

15 ore, olive brown (Reindeer) 20 ore terra cotta (Stave Church) 30 ore, ultramarine (Fiord)

Additional Values in the Portrait of the King design, noted by us February 5th. Photogravure, sheets of 100 (10x10) wmkd. post-horn, perf. 13:

A24—1.50kr. bright blue
A24—2kr. scarlet
A24—5kr. purple

Official Stamps. Additions to those noted February 5th. Photogravure, sheets of 100 (10x10) wmkd. posthorn, perf. 13:

03—5 ore, mauve
03—20 ore, scarlet
03—25 ore, prown
03—35 ore, purple
03—40 ore, slate green
03—60 ore, steel blue
03—100 ore bright ultramarine
(R. Roberts)

(R. Roberts)



Scott's type SP11, which is now obsolete. Upright format, perf. 12: 2c. sepia

(Nelson Foster)

PORTUGAL—Lusiadas Type. Ty small format as before, perf. 14; A101—1E75c. deep blue Typographed,

(R. Roberts)

SWITZERLAND—Postage Dues. Engraved. Figure of value, slanting upward to right in center, with cross above it to left and word "HELVETIA" across the bottom. Sheets of 50 (10x5), unwmkd., perf. 11½:

D5- 5c. scarlet "—10c.
"—15e.
"—20c. 40c. -50c.

(R. Roberts)

VENEZUELA—Stamps of 1937, overprinted in black in two lines between ornamental horizontal bars "RESELLADO 1937—1938", unwmkd., perf. 111/2:

A51—5c. deep violet A52—10c. dark slate green A51—25c. cerise A55—3B. red-orange

Same overprint on Air Post Stamps of 1937:

overprint on Air Post Stamps of AP4—10c. orange-red AP4—25c. dark violet AP4—40c. yellow-green AP3—70c. red AP3—1B. dark gray AP4—120B. peacock green AP3—180B. dark ultramarine AP5—1.95B. light ultramarine AP6—250. gray-blue AP4—3B. light violet AP4—3B. light violet AP5—1.90B. red-violet - 10B, red-violet

AP3- 20B. gray (Scott's Monthly Supplement)

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#644-2c	Saratoga		#782-3c	Arkansas		0
#6452e	Valley Forge	(6) .60	#783-3c	Oregon	(4)2	10
#6492e	Aeronautics	(6)60	#784-3e	Susan B. Anthony		0
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#681-2c	Ohio Canal	(6)45	#7895c	44	(4)4	5
#682-2c	Mass. Bay		#790-1c	Navy	(4)0	8
#6832c	Charleston		#791-2e	44	(4)1	6
#6882c	Braddock	(6) .50	#792-3c	ei .	(4)	4
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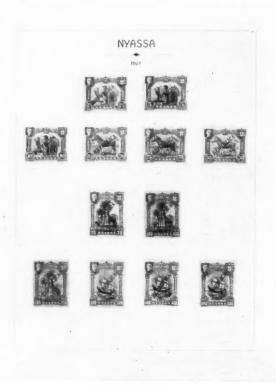
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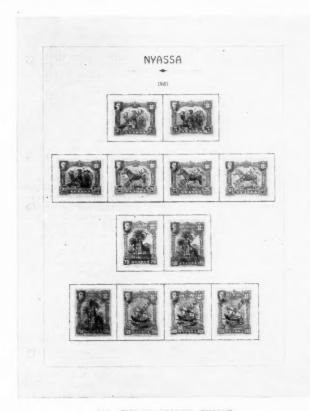
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### Editor's Notebook

ANNUAL The 1937-38 annual party PARTIES season is closing these cays. The possibilities of this form

of philatelic get-together seem without limit. These annual shows have increase 1 enormously the knowledge of stamp cor lecting by the general public, no minor result having been the general increase in the respect for the hobby and its followers. The depression, the stream of U.S. commemoratives, the coming of the air mail, and other things have variously been given as the causes of the great increase in stamp collecting in the United States. The annual parties have been in the fore in promoting philately. We have only to look back a short ten years to recall times when one did not freely admit being a stamp collector; when stamp clubs were away in the rear of prominent community organizations; when an exhibition was something to be undertaken only in a serious manner on a national scale and then only about once a decade; and stamp collecting in general was hidden away from

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Now dinners are conspicuous for the absence of formality, the programs are on a lighter vein, and the much larger crowds have a much better time. Exhibitions are undertaken on a few months notice by clubs with less than a hundred members and the stamps shown are composed of items of interest to the average person, collector or not. In fact these gatherings are proving so popular that in some districts they come every month and sometimes several in the same month, all within reasonable travelling distance of each other. At first they catered principally to out-of-town attendants but this group has dwindled due to so many affairs in their own bailiwicks. The result has been for local clubs of necessity to make greater efforts to bring out the local enthusiasts, which is proving beneficial to those clubs in new members and a more active club. Some have said there were too many annual parties, but we don't think so. Each one boosts stamp collecting in its own locality and after all what more should be expected? What better reason could be advanced for having these af-

-R. R.

#### Candid Camera Portrait

The illustration below is a candid camera snapshot of the office four-legged mouse-exterminator, which (when she's hungry) answers to the name of— In case you're wondering at her frightened expression and stratosphere-seeking



backbone, we'll enlighten you-she just came face to face with the big stack of cachet notices of National Air Mail Week. She has it all over many a cover fan though, for most of them hadn't the strength after the shock to go in for such strenuous contortions.

She is just a plain alley cat but with a high sense of duty and a penchant to sleep on the Editor's desk. As yet we have selected no name that seems to fit her so we are asking our readers to help name the lady. Just write your selection on the back of a postal card, no letters will be counted. Sign your name and address and mail Stamp News, Columbus, Ohio. To the Box 77 Delormier Sta.

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1/2c COLOR.

It will be very interesting to note the shade of the forthcoming ½c stamp. It is announced that it will be in ORANGE and we wonder how near it will match the now current 6c stamp. It is a wonder the government would take the chance on losing a few cents in this manner, considering that they are pinching the pennies in some places mostly in such places as postal departments and other useful branches. We also understand the government intends NOT to enforce its 'one stamp rule' in the case of the 1/2c items, so we can expect to see some of these precancelled. We wonder if any will be precancelled at the bureau. There are rates now that utilize all the stamps to and including the 6c but the 5c stamp. Who can think of a way we can use the 5c stamp and still be within the limits of the rulings of the department?

PRICE CHANGES.

"Collectors of Bureau Prints are warned that Portland, Oregon, B52 and B72 are again being offered in quantity. It appears that there are more in existence than was originally thought. A further price reduction seems necessary."—Berton Hoover.

-May issue Midwest Precancel News.

ANOTHER SUGGESTION.

Right away I will admit that this is not an original idea of mine but was lifted from an article in a recent issue of the STAMP WHOLESALER by Eugene Herzog. The suggestion is this, that in future bureau print catalogs, items that have been changed from the previous catalog be marked with some such a notation as an asterisk. Perhaps it could be worked out that some kind of a mark be used for those prices raised and another for those lowered. Would this or would it not help collector and dealer in his work with the catalog? A little comment on this would be appreciated and if sufficient letters are received we will turn them over to the publishers for their consideration.

#### A PAPER MILL LOT.

In a recent unpicked virgin mixture there were several outstanding things that came to our notice. One of these was that in the lot of 650 stamps there was not a single postage due precancel. There were two Bi-centennial precancels, a 7c Endicott and a 4c Paterson, N. J. We noticed one Electric Eye item, it was from Springfield in U-15. One 1c Offset and 2 15c 1917 issue items. A few old type buros, not over a half dozen and the best new type buro ruined. It was a 20c Des Moines up. Only two dollar items but enough double line items to keep them out of the scarce class.

CONCORD. N. C.

In the above lot, on one piece of cover were the 1c, 5c, 10c and 50c from Concord, N. C., in a electro type that reminds one of the last electro of Aurora, Ill. I think the letters in this plate though are a size smaller and the wording is spaced more vertically than the Aurora type but the heavy lines above and below and bold letters make for an imposing imprint. The 50c item read across normal, leaves one guessing a little as the legend is to the extreme left, leaving enough space for the start of another subject. This suggests that there perhaps are two plates.

METER PROBLEMS.

All is not rosy about the meters so I am told. Besides a lot of red tape in handling the accounts of these pesky machines I understand that it is possible for the ribbon to run dry and the machine kick out a piece of blank tape which the permit holder is out. He may collect I understand, but to get 50c out of the government is about as hard to do as getting rid of your mother-in-Those firms on a budget system law. find the meter disrupts their budget plans considerably. I think the minimum amount required to set up a meter is \$100, and if the meter runs out shortly before the budget period is up it is not a matter of running to the post office for five or ten dollars worth of stamps but a matter of kicking in another hundred making many poor accountants very unhappy. Of course I am not so narrow minded as to think that the meter companies will not try to rectify many of these faults. It's their business making these machines and the government is their best customer.

#### Illinois Group Formed

At a recent meeting of the Lincoln's Home Collectors Club at Springfield, III. temporary officers were elected for the newly formed Illinois State Hobby Assn., a federation to include the various hobby clubs in the state. Permanent officers will be chosen and the group formally organized when the state fair opens. Raymond V. Bahr was elected temporary President and Mary Hamilton, Secy.

Omaha, Nebr., also had a special machine cancel slogan for National Air Mail Week. Seen dated May 9. Similar to others reported.

We gather from the news reports of Franco's advances into Loyalist territory that the rebels recalled most of their army from the job of issuing stamps and put them busy on the war itself.

#### Mixed-up Mixtures

Those who want their mixtures positively unpicked might change their minds if they were around A. E. Pade's office very long. Upon opening a shipment from Nigeria, Africa, to mix with other miscellany, a clerk pulled out with trembling fingers an 8 foot boa constrictor skin—fortunately quite empty of Mr. Boa. Other packets contained various smaller snake and lizard skins. We suppose these found their way into a stamp mixture because they were "covers"?

#### Smallest Stamp Paper(?)

Hardly a week goes by that a copy of a new stamp paper is not received, but this week came one decidedly different in make-up, size and contents. It's the Rocky Mountain Philatelic Bulletin, whose slogan is "Philatelic news in a nutshell" and it does both fairly well, the size of a page being about a quarterinch smaller than a postcard. Including news of Colorado philatelic activities, the paper is the hobby of a Denver linotype operator, Emerson N. Barker. A. E. Pade, the mixture man, suggests the RMPB is the world's smallest stamp paper. Sample copies may be obtained at 5c each from Mr. Barker, 4153 Utica St., Denver.

The two Salvador stamps for the Constitution Sesqui were, according to the N. Y. Times issued April 21. 570,000 of the 8c and 60,000 of the 30c.

The current number of Adolf Gunesch's Precancel Optimist carries a timely review of precanceled air mail stamps. A system of numbering of prospective Bureau Prints on the Presidential series is also proposed.

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tions in New York during the next few haven't even one aeroplane? I personweeks. The auction houses are getting their auctions in before the real warm weather sets in (as if it hasn't already started). I agree with these men. It really is uncomfortable to sit through an auction in the warm weather. But, more important through the lack of floor bidders, competition is at a minimum.

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At last the long missing Spanish Constitution Stamp made its appearance in New York. This stamp seems to be designed for the American pocketbook. Sol Bloom, New York Congressman in charge of the Constitution celebration announces 40 countries are to do us homage by issuing Constitution stamps. From my attitude on such subjects as Miniature Sheets and the above, you readers may believe I am prejudiced against foreign stamps. Well, I am not, but I am against all attempts to have the collectors of this country support money making schemes of certain coun-Why, do you know San Marino

There will be quite a number of auc- has issued airmail stamps and they ally collect the stamps of Canada, so am not against the regular issues of foreign countries.

> But back to stamp news from Broadway. A large number of United States illustrated albums have appeared on the market. Quite unusual to see an the market. Quite unusual to see an illustration of a United States stamp staring you in the face. New York Dealers report a very brisk sale of these albums.

I was talking to a few Post Office Superintendents this week. Two of them told me that if by chance they see any philatelic mail waiting to be cancelled, that, they themselves, cancel it. All of them said they have issued instructions to the clerk in charge of the hand stamp to be considerate in the cancelling of all commemorative stamps on what looks to be philatelic mail. These men do not collect stamps, but have the interests of collectors at heart. They asked me to do one favor for them. To ask New York collectors when they are not able to secure stamps from the Philatelic Window of the G. P. O. to come to the district offices at hours when they are not busy with many customers. You not busy with many customers. You collectors know when you'll find your post office fairly quiet.

The 10 schilling Dolfuss stamp seems to be a thing of the past in New York. No one has any. I have an idea that a few speculators have laid away a fairly nice supply and are waiting for the summer to pass before releasing them on the market.

Heard a hard luck story from a chap on the Wilberforce issue of Sierra Leone. At the time they were issued he sent a money order to the post master for a set of blox. While the letter was in transit the exchange rate went up so he was 4 shillings and 8 pence short. The post master filled his order but left out the blox of the 1 shilling and the two pence stamps. He said, "I had to spend \$10.00 to complete the set." gave him my sympathy. For a \$50.00 investment he has a set worth between

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#### Philippine Notes

By PABLO M. ESPERIDION

Making a survey of the stamp collecting public in the Philippines, Americans and Europeans comprise the bulk of collectors in these Islands. Thirty per cent, however, are Filipinos. But most interesting to observe is the growing tendency on the part of school children. based on the fact that a good number of school teachers are not only collectors themselves, but are encouraging the educational value of stamp collecting among their students.

Displaying further interest in the hobby was the Philippine Amateur Stamp Collectors Club which was also organized lately. Members of this club are professional men in private lives, but all "green" in stamp collecting. Miss Clara Pagel, the secretary, herself is an Ameri-

Tourists-a good number of themupon their arrival here immediately go to the Manila Post Office (portrayed on the 4c P. I., Scott 355), as well as in stores of stamp dealers to buy Philippine stamps. Sometimes these world travellers are heard to comment they are surprised to find they could buy U. S. stamps in Manila cheaper than in the States. The only possible explanation to this is that local dealers do not have as much overhead as those in the U. S.

Speculation is being attached to the unconfirmed report from the Bureau of Posts that the recent surcharged 3c Postage Due will be withdrawn from circulation. Business reply cards and envelopes on which these stamps serve the purpose, will simply be weighed, charging the party concerned for the corresponding postage, thereby re-establishing the old practice. However, on consulting one of the local postal officials who preferred not to be quoted, he declared he was of the opinion the present system is more convenient.

While straight edges in this modern age of stamp collecting are always looked at with raised eyebrows, some local dealers are at a loss to understand why one of the largest dealers in the Atlantic Coast is always requisitioning higher values of Philippine stamps — with straight edges.

Forgeries of the scarce Madrid-Manila have bobbed up in the Manila market. Don Jose Trill, president of the Asocia-cion Filatelica de Filipinas came across one of these "loose babies" (a 26c) and submitted it at once to Philippine experts for an extensive report to be published in the local press. Distinguishing feature of these forgeries was the poor

There is rumor in this city that a foreign dealer purchased lately thousands of ARNACAL stamps in straightedges and shipped them to a New York "dentist" to have them fixed with "false teeth."

No definite plans so far have been made as yet by postal officials re the new Philippine airmails—the "Flying Tamaraw."

Dealers in Manila are selling at present, used U. S. Clippers at 5, 10 and 15c for the 20, 25 and 50c values, respectively.

This is the tourist season in the Philippines. Big liners, from the States, and Europe, are usually seen docked in Pier 7, Manila Bay—the largest pier in the world and depicted on the 12c stamps of the P. I. (Scott 356).

## New Swiss Set



Illustrated are the four values of a new Swiss set. The 30 and 60 centime values show the new palace of the League of Nations and bear the initials of the French name of the League, "Societe des Nations." The 20c and 1 franc bear the initials of the International Labor Bureau of the League and the Bureau's headquar-

#### Naval Cancels - Cachets

#### By FREDERICK W. HORTON ANCS 656

P.O. Box 390, Port Chester, N. Y. (\*) Means include forwarding of 1c per cover.

Alex Hesse, Jr., 449 Troutman Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., will sponsor ANCS Argonauts cachet for the shakedown cruise of the USS Stingray. Send covers in sets of 12, with (\*), NOW.

J. P. Clark, 1480—171st Ave., San Leandro, Calif., will sponsor an ANCS Argonauts cachet for the 1st birthday of the USS Pompano, and the 1st day in commission of the USS Sturgeon. Send covers with (\*). Better send along a few extra covers for Clarks future events, as you are always assured of a fine cachet from unusual events on the West Coast.

Aiglon M-20, P. O. Box 224, Dover, N. H., will sponsor a very attractive cachet to be mailed on July 4th, from 20 ships off the New England coast. Send covers by June 20th with (\*). Have seen proof of cachet to be used and it is a beauty.

The David Bushnell Chapter No. 48, USCS will sponsor a Fourth of July cachet mailed from 3 different ships. Send covers with (\*) to Fred Lamlin, 112 Butler Street, New Haven, Conn. Closing date June 20th.

Michael Sanders, 727 New Jersey Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., will sponsor a bi-colored cachet for the shakedown cruise of the USS Skipjack. Send 10 to 15 covers with (\*). Have also seen a proof of this cachet and it is really a beauty.

Your editor (address at head of column) will sponsor the 12th group in my birthday series of Naval ships. This group will be mailed from the USS Chester, Milwaukee, Dale, J. Fred Talbott, Richmond, Rathburne, Tattnall, Nautilus, Gannet, and Mallard. Send covers unsealed and unstuffed with (\*). Deadline June 1st.

Walt Czubay, 3117—36 Street, Astoria, L. I., N. Y., will sponsor two covers for the 300th anniversary of Delaware, one will be a first day cover. Send covers with three cents for the new Delaware stamp and (\*). Walt is also holding covers for the shakedown cruise of the USS Seal in June, covers in sets of 12. Also Walt will sponsor a cachet for the shakedown cruise of the USS Phoenix, covers in sets of 10 on this event. (\*) Send right away.

With this week's column we conclude the check list of ships decommissioned during the year 1937.

USS Montgomery, Light Mine Layer No. 17, (Nothing in killer), San Diego, Calif., Oct. 10, 5 different sponsors. USS S-1 Submarine, decommissioned at Philadelphia Navy Yard, Oct. 20, 2 different

Philadelphia Navy Yard, Oct. 20, 2 different sponsors. USS Breese, DD 122, (Nothing in killer), San Diego, Calif., Nov. 12, 8 different sponsors. USS Overton, DD 239, (Last Day), San Diego, Calif., Nov. 20, 8 sponsors. USS Sturtevant, DD 240, (Last Day), San Diego, Nov. 20, 8 diff. sponsors. USS Bainbridge, DD 246, (Last Day & San Diego), San Diego, Calif., Nov. 20, 8 different sponsors.

sponsors.
USS S-33 (Submarine), decommissioned at
Philadelphia Navy Yard, Dec. 1st, 5 different

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USS S-32 (Submarine), decommissioned at Philadelphia, Dec. 7, 4 sponsors.

USS S-31 (Submarine), decommissioned at Philadelphia, Dec. 7, 7, 4 sponsore.

USS Koka, Official decommissioning date was Dec. 7, no covers reported, as this ship was destroyed at sea.

USS Panavy, Official decommissioning date was Dec. 12, no covers, sunk by Japs in China waters.

USS Panavy, DD 124 (Last Day), San Diego, Calif., Dec. 11, 7 sponsors.

USS Gamble, Light Mine Layer No. 15, (Last Day) San Diego, Dec. 22, 6 different sponsors.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Fred Obst of 170 Oak Street, Meriden, Conn., for compiling this check list, and I urge collec-tors to drop Obst a card, thanking him for his cooperation

### U. S. NOTES

Under this heading we will print notes on U. S. issues, past and present, and our readers are asked to submit interesting varieties or items. Be sure when requesting a reply to send a stamped envelope or card.

Mary Coleman of Wisconsin writes in to inquire about a 10c of the current issue with a fold about one-eighth of an inch in width down the left side of the stamp. When this fold is opened out flat the stamp has a blank streak of white paper about a quarter-inch wide separating the design and the stamp itself is as a result much wider. These varieties are termed "creased paper" or "folded paper" varieties and are found fairly frequently. They are formed by the roll of paper being creased or wrinkled just before it runs under the plate and naturally the design can only reach the surface of the paper exposed. These creases sometimes extend diagonally across a sheet and when ironed out (don't use the iron too literally) make some very curious looking stamps. The average such creases leave white space of a sixteenth to an eighth of an inch in width. Value? Well, it's anyone's guess, but for used copies of ordinary stamps 25c to 50c seems average. Large unused part sheets of course run into the dollars-if you find someone really interested.

Perhaps it's old stuff. But have you noticed the variety of machine and handstamp cancellations from the larger post offices which are for use on air mail only?

The Post Office Department has advised postmasters that the new regular series will be supplied only after their stocks of the present series is exhausted, as it is not intended to withdraw any stamps now on sale.

#### Naval P. O. Worth \$74.27

If any of our readers have wondered just what equipment a naval post office has and its size, the bill sent Japan for the Panay incident will give a fair idea. Of the \$2,214,007.36 collected from Japan for "accidentally" sinking the Panay and some freighters on a bright, sunshiny day the Post Office Dept. received just \$74.27 for its equipment, funds and supplies now in Davy Jones locker. Wonder if that 27c is for the naval covers sunk? Figures out to nine!

#### Admission: One Cover

College Park, Md., celebrated Air Mail Week with an airshow at its airport, claimed to be the oldest airport in the world (1909). The price of admission was one air mail cover addressed to the entrant's mother! We suppose for those under twelve that half fare was collected-a cover with just a 3c stamp.

#### Ohlman Recovering

Max Ohlman the auction man will probably be on his way home by the Mr. Ohlman time this reaches print. had an operation for gall stones the first week of May and was expected to be able to leave the hospital in three

A cachet three inches square is promised by Fort Lee Philatelic Club, Ft. Lee High School, Ft. Lee, N. J. This will show Ft. Constitution. Date, May 30th. Forwarding of 1c asked.

Add to odd Indian names disappearing from post office rosters that of TAXAHAW, S. Carolina, the office being discontinued as of May 31st.

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